

**ORDINANCE NO. 12- 407**

**WHEREAS**, Mark E. Whitt and Jacquelyn P. Whitt has petitioned the governing body of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, requesting that certain property or territory be annexed to the City of Huntsville, Alabama; and

**WHEREAS**, said petition contained the signatures of the owners of the property as the same is assessed for ad valorem tax purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, said property is contiguous to the present city limits of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, and does not lie within the corporate limits of any other municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, a map of said territory showing its relationship to the corporate limits of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, has been filed with the City Clerk-Treasurer; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the judgement and opinion of the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, that it is necessary and proper and in the public interest that said property be brought within the corporate limits of the City of Huntsville, Alabama;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, as follows;

1. That the City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama hereby assents to the annexation of certain property to the City of Huntsville, Alabama, which said property as hereinabove referenced is more particularly described as follows:

All that part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 4 South, Range 1 East, of the Huntsville Meridian, Madison County, Alabama, more particularly described as beginning at a point located at the Southeast corner of said Section 34; thence from the point of beginning and along the east boundary of said Section 34 North 00 degrees 10 minutes 30 seconds West 1863.60 feet to the point of true beginning; said point is further described as being located on the existing corporate limits of the City of Huntsville; thence from the point of true beginning and leaving the existing corporate limits South 89 degrees 31 minutes 05 seconds West 611.64 feet; thence North 34 degrees 46 minutes 53 seconds East 220.35 feet; thence North 89 degrees 30 minutes 43 seconds East 486.59 feet to a point located on east boundary of Section 34; thence along said boundary South 00 degrees 12 minutes 25 seconds West 179.98 feet to the point of true beginning and containing 2.27 acres, more or less.

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2. That the corporate limits of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are hereby extended and rearranged so as to embrace and include the hereinafter property as part of the corporate area of the City of Huntsville.

3. That this ordinance shall become effective upon its publication as required by law.

4. That the Mayor and City Clerk-Treasurer of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are hereby authorized, requested and directed for and on behalf of the governing body of the City to file a description of the property or territory herein annexed in the Judge of Probate Office of Madison County.

**ADOPTED** this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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President of the City Council of  
the City of Huntsville, Alabama

**APPROVED** this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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Mayor of the City of Huntsville,  
Alabama

STATE OF ALABAMA  
COUNTY OF MADISON

PETITION FOR ANNEXATION TO THE CITY OF  
HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA, UNDER ACT NO. 2228  
S.134, 1971 REGULAR SESSION

TO: The City Clerk-Treasurer of the City of Huntsville, Alabama

The undersigned, Mark E. Whitt and Jacquelyn P. Whitt, hereby petition the Mayor and City Council of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, to bring the hereinafter described property within the corporate limits of the City of Huntsville under the provisions of Act No. 2228, S. 134, of the 1971 Regular Session of the Legislature of Alabama. The undersigned respectfully request that the property or territory hereinafter described be annexed to the City of Huntsville. We further certify that we have the right and authority to make and file this petition for annexation, that said property is contiguous to the existing corporate limits of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, which said City has a population of more than 2,000, and that said property does not lie within the corporate limits of any other municipality, and we do hereby respectfully petition the Mayor and City Council of the City of Huntsville to adopt an ordinance assenting to the annexation of said property to the City of Huntsville. We further certify that the property is assessed for ad valorem tax purposes in the names of Mark E. Whitt and Jacquelyn P. Whitt.

All that part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 4 South, Range 1 East, of the Huntsville Meridian, Madison County, Alabama, more particularly described as beginning at a point located at the Southeast corner of said Section 34; thence from the point of beginning and along the east boundary of said Section 34 North 00 degrees 10 minutes 30 seconds West 1863.60 feet to the point of true beginning; said point is further described as being located on the existing corporate limits of the City of Huntsville; thence from the point of true beginning and leaving the existing corporate limits South 89 degrees 31 minutes 05 seconds West 611.64 feet; thence North 34 degrees 46 minutes 53 seconds East 220.35 feet; thence North 89 degrees 30 minutes 43 seconds East 486.59 feet to a point located on east boundary of Section 34; thence along said boundary South 00 degrees 12 minutes 25 seconds West 179.98 feet to the point of true beginning and containing 2.27 acres, more or less.

Attached hereto marked Exhibit A is a map of said territory showing its relationship to the corporate limits of the City of Huntsville, which said map is further identified as being entitled "Whitt Property to be Annexed."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have set their hand and seal the date herein indicated.

PREPARED BY  
CITY OF HUNTSVILLE  
PLANNING DIVISION

Mark E. Whit (SEAL)  
Signature of Owner

STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF MADISON

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Mark E. Whit whose name is signed to the foregoing annexation petition and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this date that, being informed of the contents of the within annexation petition, he/she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal of office, this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012.

Ed E. Jones  
NOTARY PUBLIC

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Jacquelyn P. Whit (SEAL)  
Signature of Owner

STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF MADISON

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that Jacquelyn P. Whit whose name is signed to the foregoing annexation petition and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this date that, being informed of the contents of the within annexation petition, he/she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal of office, this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2012.

Ed E. Jones  
NOTARY PUBLIC

EDWARD E. JONES JR

My Commission

Expires 03/26/2013

**EXHIBIT A: WHITT PROPERTY TO BE ANNEXED**

This topographic map illustrates the Whitt property to be annexed, highlighted by a cross-hatched rectangular area. The map features several labeled roads: Old Big Cove Road running vertically, Claudia Drive running horizontally, and Hampton Ridge Drive running horizontally. To the right, a road is labeled 'HUNTSVILLE CITY'. The map also shows contour lines, a north arrow in the bottom left corner, and a scale bar indicating '1 inch = 400 feet'. A shaded area in the bottom left corner is labeled 'ESTATES'. The map is overlaid with a grid system.

**ANNEXATION SUMMARY: WHITT**

May 4, 2012

**PETITIONER:** Mark E. Whitt and Jacquelyn P. Whitt

**LOCATION:** West side of Old Big Cove Road and North of Hampton Ridge Drive

Township 4 South, Range 1 East, Section 34

**ACREAGE:** 2.27 acres

**REASON FOR REQUEST:** To utilize city services including school system and fire services

## **ANNEXATION GUIDELINES: WHITT**

1. Annexations that would fill in or make more regular the existing corporate limits should be strongly encouraged.

**WOULD CONTINUE ONGOING ANNEXATIONS IN THIS AREA**

2. The remaining tax islands should be annexed when ownership changes and redevelopment occurs....

**NOT A TAX ISLAND**

3. Annexations of land in subdivisions....

**WILL NOT BE PART OF A SUBDIVISION**

4. Corridors are discouraged....

**NOT A CORRIDOR**

5. Point-to-point annexations should be discouraged....

**NOT A POINT-TO-POINT CONNECTION**

6. Owners living on land expected to be annexed within the ninety-day period preceding a municipal election....

**NO MUNICIPAL ELECTION AT TIME OF ANNEXATION**

7. Land which is known to be contaminated should not be annexed until such danger has been mitigated.

**NO KNOWN CONTAMINATION**

8. The annexation of land that would contribute to the city's economic development through an increase in taxes....

**RESIDENTIAL LAND**

9. The city should require petitions for annexation referenda to satisfy additional conditions....

**NOT A REFERENDA**

10. City planners will explain to all annexation petitioners the policies under which services are provided.

**POLICY STATEMENT SIGNED BY OWNERS; COPY ATTACHED**



**STATEMENT REGARDING  
PROVISION OF CITY SERVICES TO NEWLY ANNEXED LANDS**

City services will be provided to all newly annexed lands according to the same policies that already govern in Huntsville. This means that Huntsville police and fire departments will respond to calls; garbage and trash will be collected by city sanitation; and school children will attend city rather than county schools. Transportation for students attending the city schools will be the responsibility of their parents. All applicable city ordinances will be enforced including the implementation of zoning regulations.

Water service is provided by Huntsville Utilities; however if the annexed land is already served by another water authority, the existing situation should be expected to continue until such time as development pressure or legal agreements between water authorities makes it feasible or possible for Huntsville Utilities to assume control of the water lines or extend new mains. The cost of main extensions usually are borne by the property owner.

Likewise, it has long been city policy to expand sanitary sewer service on a cost benefit basis. This policy applies to all land within the city regardless of its annexation date. In addition, the city has adopted a capital improvement plan to guide investment in infrastructure. In order for an area to be considered for road construction, drainage improvements, recreational or community facilities, new fire stations, or sanitary sewer extension, the area must be in the city and then must be prioritized according to need. Newly annexed land will be accorded the same consideration as other city lands.

Lastly, it is important to understand that those autonomous boards, agencies and utilities that have authority over the delivery of specific public services set their own policies and procedures.

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I have read the above statement governing the delivery of city services to lands annexed into the city of Huntsville, and I agree to these conditions as they may pertain to any of my lands that are annexed.

Petitioner	<u>Mark E. White</u>	Date	<u>4/3/12</u>
Petitioner	<u>Jacqueline D. White</u>	Date	<u>4/3/12</u>